

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed H.R. 3082, Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S11393–11440*

**Measures Introduced:** Eleven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2780–2790. **Page S11430**

#### Measures Passed:

***Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act:*** By unanimous vote of 100 yeas (Vote No. 348), Senate passed H.R. 3082, making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, as amended, after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S11403–07, S11407–11**

#### Adopted:

Inouye Modified Amendment No. 2754 (to Amendment No. 2730), to permit \$68,500,000, as requested by the Missile Defense Agency of the Department of Defense, to be used for the construction of a test facility to support the Phased Adaptive Approach for missile defense in Europe, with an offset. **Pages S11403, S11404**

Johnson (for Cochran) Amendment No. 2763 (to Amendment No. 2730), to provide for the modification of a restriction of alienation of certain real property in Gulfport, Mississippi. **Pages S11405, 11406**

By 98 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 346), Johnson Amendment No. 2733 (to Amendment No. 2730), to increase by \$50,000,000 the amount available for the Department of Veterans Affairs for minor construction projects for the purpose of converting unused Department of Veterans Affairs structures into housing with supportive services for homeless veterans, and to provide an offset. **Pages S11403, 11405**

Feingold/Sanders Modified Amendment No. 2748 (to Amendment 2730), to make available \$5,000,000 for grants to community-based organizations and State and local government entities to conduct outreach to veterans in under-served areas. **Pages S11403, S11405–06**

Johnson (for Warner) Modified Amendment No. 2775 (to Amendment No. 2730), to require a study on the capacity of the Department of Veterans Affairs to address combat stress in women veterans. **Page S11406**

Johnson (for Klobuchar) Amendment No. 2777 (to Amendment No. 2730), to require a study to identify the improvements to the information technology infrastructure of the Department of Veterans Affairs that are required to furnish health care services to veterans using telehealth platforms. **Pages S11406–07**

Johnson (for Boxer) Modified Amendment No. 2783 (to Amendment No. 2730), to make available from Medical Services, \$1,000,000 for education debt reduction for mental health care professionals who agree to employment at the Department of Veterans Affairs. **Pages S11406–07**

Johnson/Hutchison Amendment No. 2730, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S11403–07, S11407–11**

#### Rejected:

DeMint (for Inhofe) Amendment No. 2774 (to Amendment No. 2730), to prohibit the use of funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act to construct or modify a facility in the United States or its territories to permanently or temporarily hold any individual held at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. (By 57 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 347), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S11403, S11407–09**

Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair was authorized to appoint the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Johnson, Inouye, Landrieu, Byrd, Murray, Reed, Nelson (NE), Pryor, Leahy, Hutchison, Brownback, McConnell, Collins, Murkowski, and Cochran. **Page S11411**

#### Appointments:

***Library of Congress Trust Fund Board:*** The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Republican Leader, pursuant to Public